THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) The primary service transmitter at Bombay broke down on 3rd December 1987 and on 1st and 19th January, 1988 for short durations due to failure of certain critical components. The transmitter was promptly attended to and the service restored. Besides, a new transmitter has been installed to replace the existing transmitter which has completed its normal life span. The new transmitter is under test at present.

(b) and (c) Dust particles and pollution do affect the performance of electronic equipment. However, all TV installations are protected from out side atmosphere and are provided with air filters to avoid dust entering the equipment. Besides, regular periodic cleaning is carried out to keep the equipment free of dust and other extraneous matters.

Regional Piped Water supply Scheme in Maharashtra

2506. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra have sent the Project Reports of Regional Piped Water Supply Schemes for bilateral assistance to a suitable donor; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARI): The Government of Maharashtra had sent Project Reports to the Central Government for bilateral assistance.

(b) The details of the schemes are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Cost of the scheme (Rs. in crores)
1.	Regional Rural Water Supply Scheme (RRWSS) for 81 villages in Bhusawal and Edlabad Talukas	10.99
2.	RRWSS for 51 villages in Amalner and Dhule Talukas in Jalgaon and Dhole districts	3.78
3.	RRWSS for 89 villages in Kanjat and Alibag talukas of Raigad district	8.37
4.	RRWSS for Balunki and 11 other villages in Sangli districts	3.94
5.	RRWSS in Nanerajuri in Sangli District	6.71
6.	RRWSS for 21 villages in Vasai Taluka and 14 villages in Palghan Taluka in Thane district	6.65

The Project at Sl. No. 1 has been posed to U.K. for assistance and that at Sl. No. 5 for EEC assistance. In the meanwhile for the first five schemes mentioned above, the State Government have been advised to revise the Project cost and to highlight the social impact of the projects on the poor people of the region. The scheme at Sl. No. 6 has been returned to the State as it did not conform to the approved norms.

Marathi Programmes telecast by Bombay Doordarshan

2507. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of Marathi programmes on Bombay Doordarshan give the details of channel I & II separately; and

(b) what is the percentage of Marathi speaking staff in Bombay Doordarshan especially in the category of directors, producers and cameraman?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Doordarshan Kendra, Bombay originates 96.5 per cent programmes in Marathi on Channel I and 2 per cent programmes in Marathi on Channel II.

(b) The percentage of Marathi speaking staff posted at present at Doordarshan Kendra, Bombay is as given below:—

Category	Percentage
(i) Director	100
(ii) Deputy Director .	50
(iii) Producer Gr. I . .	80
(iv) Programme Executive .	66
(v) Producer Gr. II . .	70
(vi) Cameraman Gr. I & II	49
(vii) Production Asstt. . .	66
(viii) Transmission Executive . .	75

Improvement in the quality of Regional TV Programmes

2508. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question 79 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th February, 1988 and state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to improve the quality of the regional T.V. programmes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) It has always been the endeavour of Doordarshan to improve upon its programmes including regional programmes. The Programme Advisory Committees constituted at various Doordarshan Kendras suggest and advise improvement in programmes telecast by those Kendras. Workshops and training are arranged for improvement of skills of the staff. Surveys conducted by the Audience Research Units of Doordarshan and the letters received from viewers are taken into consideration for improvement of the programmes. This is a continuous process.

Busting of Manpower Export Racket

2509. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the manpower export racket busted during 1987;

(b) what was the number of persons arrested; and

(c) what action had been taken against those arrested?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) A manpower export racket was busted in February, 1987 and an offence of cheating and violation of the Emigration Act 1983 was registered by Delhi Police. During investigation, one Desh Raj along with 3 sub-agents was arrested. They are facing trial.

जनजातियों से संबंधित योजनाओं में घपला

2510. **श्री रशीद मसूद :** क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 22 फरवरी, 1988 के "इंडियन एक्सप्रेस"